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WESTERN UNION SOLD TO 'PHONE COMPANY

GOULDS ARE BOUGHT OUT

BIG STEP TOWARD CONTROL BY ONE
CORPORATION OF ALL WIRE COMMUNI-
CATION OF THE COUNTRY

Boston, Nov. 17.—A long stride toward the complete control by one corporation of a wire communication in the United States was made today in the absorption by the American Telephone and Telegraph company of the control of the Western Union Telegraph.

In order to make the absorption complete, the incorporation of a new \$1,000,000,000 company, it is said, will be necessary to include the \$592,475,400 of bonds and stock of the American Telephone company, known as the Bell company, and the outstanding \$165,000,000 of bonds and stock of the Western Union.

The Western Union was one of the pet properties of the late Jay Gould, which has been in the Gould family for a generation, and it was by the sale of Gould stocks today that the merger was accomplished.

New York, Nov. 16.—The passing of the Goulds was the golden text of Wall street today. It opened up endless vistas of speculation. Gould influence has kept a dozen splendid properties out of Wall street for generations. The so-called Gould shares have had only a nominal market and now the street is happy that there is indisputable evidence of the intention of the family to retire and let these stocks join the great family of live ones.

Business League At Work

The Business League is getting down to work, Sec. Webster is

busy writing to numerous representatives in congress and senators in regard to plans for Tombigbee river improvement and other work is being outlined.

The purpose of the League is to boost Columbus in every way that will prove beneficial, and everything possible to that end will be accomplished as soon as the situation is thoroughly ever and the details of the formulated. Sec. Webster feels decidedly hopeful over the outlook.

BIDS FOR MATERIAL.

Mr. E. C. Lawrence, of the Newport Contracting & Engineering Co., Inc., the firm which has the contract to build the \$51,000 government building on Bradford Square, arrived in Columbus yesterday and is at the Gilmer. Mr. Lawrence is here for the purpose of giving local concerns a chance to supply material for the postoffice building, and all yesterday he was busy conferring with representatives of firms desiring to make bids.

Much of the material of necessity, Mr. Lawrence says, will be bought elsewhere, such as the hydraulic red brick and Indiana limestone, specified by the government for the exterior of the building, but rough brick, marble for interior work, plumbing, wiring, painting, lumber and other things may be furnished here. The plastering is to be highly ornamental and requires artistic workmanship. Bids for all this will be passed upon next week when Mr. Lawrence returns to his office at Newport News, Va. He will remain here until tomorrow, meeting those desirous of submitting bids. He is anxious to favor local firms in every way possible.

Work on the building will commence Dec. 1. The excavating, including the removal of 15,000 cubic yards of dirt, will be done by the company itself.

SHERIFF SENTENCED BY SUPREME COURT

DIDN'T STOP LYNCHING

CAPTAIN SHIPP OF CHATTANOOGA IN
JAIL FOR NINETY DAYS FOR CON-
TEMPT OF COURT

Washington, Nov. 15.—For the first time in American history six men are in prison tonight for contempt of the supreme court of the United States. For the first time, too, the federal government has placed men behind the bars as an outcome of the lynching of a negro.

At the United States jail in this city, Capt. Joseph F. Shipp, former sheriff of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Jeremiah Gibson, his jailer, and Luther Williams, Nick Nolan, Henry Padgett and William Mayes of the same city, began this afternoon to serve terms of imprisonment imposed a few hours before by the supreme court of the United States.

"Shipp and Gibson had been found guilty of failing to protect from a mob Ed Johnson, whose legal execution for criminal assault had been stayed by the supreme court until that tribunal could review the case. The others had been found guilty of participation in the lynching of a federal prisoner. Shipp, Williams and Nolan were given sentences of ninety days imprisonment each, while Gibson, Padgett and Mayes each received sixty days.

WITHOUT PRECEDENT

The proceedings were practically without precedent. In 1895, John Chiles, a business man of Texas, was brought before the court for contempt in connection with dealings in Texas indemnity bonds, contrary to an order of the supreme court. He was fined \$250. But that instance lacked the interest of the case today. In it was involved no race question, no lynching, no interference with state jurisdiction; only the majesty of the law was interpreted by the highest court of the land.

Heading the little group of six men found guilty of contempt, as they took their places before the black-robed justices, was Captain Joseph H. Shipp, the sheriff in Chattanooga, Tenn., when he offended the court. His tall, straight figure, his seamed face and his gray-streaked beard, told of his long service in the army of the Confederacy.

Captain Joseph F. Shipp, a native Georgian, went to Chattanooga thirty-six years ago. He has been in public life there since 1873. He is now a trustee of the Tennessee Confederate Soldiers' Home. During the civil war he served in the army of northern Virginia. Captain Shipp is 66 years old. He has a wife and seven children, all of Chattanooga, except two sons, in Dallas and Houston, Texas.

WOMAN ASSAULTED

The negro was lynched in Chattanooga in March, 1906. Miss Nevalia Taylor, the young woman who was assaulted by Ed Johnston, the negro out of whose lynching grew the Shipp contempt case, is not alive to witness the last chapter in the tragedy which had its beginning at the gates of beautiful Forest Hills cemetery, where she was choked into insensibility by a leather noose in the hands of the negro.

Left a physical wreck at the age of 21 years by the night's experience, her nervous system further shocked by the ordeal of the public trial in which she identified Johnson as her assailant, Miss Taylor left Chattanooga in hope of restoring her health amid new surroundings, but it availed nothing, and in a few months she broke down completely and died at the home of her sister near Ashtabula, O., in August, 1907, and was buried there.

BIG SHOWS TO-DAY.

Barnum & Bailey's Greatest Shows on earth rolled into Columbus this morning on five solid trains, and will show here this afternoon and evening to something like 10,000 people.

The most novel parade ever seen will pass through the uptown streets this morning about ten o'clock.

Le Clown Moulter With Barnum and Bailey.

Le Clown Moulter, the great French animal trainer and comedian, has been engaged for this season's tour of the Barnum and Bailey Greatest Show on Earth. He has a monkey that rides bareback on a cat; he skips the rope with a dog dressed as a girl for a partner, and does a head-balancing stunt with an ape.

Menagerie Has Baby Colony.

A baby colony is one of the features of the Barnum and Bailey menagerie this season. In it are displayed various jungle and forest mothers with their interesting families about them. The menagerie of this show is complete in the display of the many phases of lower animal life.

CURIOUS SIGHT--AND WEATHER CHANGES

SEASON NOW SEASONABLE

LONG DRAWN OUT SUMMER GIVES WAY
TO WINTER--BUSINESS WILL
TAKE A BRACE

At last, according to the weather man, the soft, near-spring weather is to give way to the rigors of winter. Already its touch is in the air and heavy rains which began Tuesday afternoon are expected to continue until the last of summer has been washed away and cold weather brought on in earnest. It will be a welcome change. Too much fine weather has grown tiresome.

Business has languished. Merchants have big fall stocks on hand that need thinning out and people generally have relaxed under the influence of unseasonable sunshine. A few crisp fall days will give more life and put vertebrate qualities into things. With the exception of several frosty mornings, there has hardly been anything but the calendar to show that summer had passed and winter, not only arrived, but already approaching its last lap. There has been nothing in a weather way, certainly, to suggest Christmas, and yet that time is just five weeks off. Then, according to every conception of the season, women must wear their furs and men their overcoats. Not for the same reason, perhaps, for its never very cold—but men need the extra pockets.

Thanksgiving ought by rights to be frosty for football, crowded excursion trains and hunting, and for the cause of good appetite, for that's the day the whole nation gets greasy with turkey. How many turkeys will die under the axe the day before? But mathematics aside, it's safe to say if all the feathers from these sacrificial birds were bundled together, they'd probably make a mattress big enough to soften the fall of Peary, all the way from the North pole to gate receipts. And their combined gobbles would probably make as much noise as an Alabama amendment orator coming down the home stretch.

But what's the use. Peary no doubt thinks he is still at the North pole and the orators can't be amended.

But speaking of Thanksgiving and the President's proclamation designating Nov. 25 for that observance, what about that other President, he who is now intimidating the denizens of Richard Harding Davis' own jungles and sending home stuffed G. O. P. symbols branded T. R. What is he going to eat for Thanksgiving dinner. Now that's a thought for the nation. Of course in time the menu will be cabled to some magazine at \$1.18 per, and if it reads "whole Rhinoceros patties, with monkey sauce" why next year rhinoceros would be the national bird, and the monkeys?—that's a puzzle picture. Just wait till he gets back and you won't have to grind out weather done to fill up space. A dozen Merganthallers are only breakfast food for him. "Thers a reason." But back to the weather. Two things inevitably pointed to a change. Tornado insurance agents, those infallible storm birds, were moving yesterday. They sail out on the first cloud and Providence in the past has favored them. But still another thing pointed to something. Dr. Uithoven, who lives about eight miles north of town, saw a curious sight Tuesday morning. It was just above the sun and it stayed there quite a while. Dr. Uithoven says it was about 7 A. M. According to mundane distances it was about a yard above the sun, which itself wasn't very high. It looked like a battleship—at first he thought it was. It was black and flat and long, and it smoked. It had a chimney, sticking right up out of the middle, through which all the smoke went in curls. Finally it smoked itself away. Dr. Uithoven says he thinks it was a cloud, but a very curious one. It undoubtedly meant a change in the weather. Thank heaven the weather is always with us.

For sale by all dealers, price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. There's nothing so good for a sore throat as Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Cures it in a few hours. Relieves any part. The pupils of the public schools of Columbus will be given a holiday today in order to see the parade this morning and attend the performance this afternoon.

COTTON AGAIN UP; BULLS BUY STEADILY

COLD WAVE HELPS CAUSE

MARKET WITHIN FEW POINTS OF FORMER RECORD AND SHOWS SIGNS OF GREAT STRENGTH

The cotton market yesterday rose to a level only twelve points below the high record of the season, the market showing unmistakable signs of strength.

Freezing temperatures over a large portion of the belt, particularly in those sections where the crop is late, coupled with decreasing movement and higher prices for goods, are given as the reasons for the advance. Bulls are said to be not particularly aggressive, yet good buying appeared from many directions.

Five of the larger interior towns received in the neighborhood of 33,000 bales less yesterday than the same day last year, which was taken as confirmation of the reports that cotton had largely been picked and ginned, and most of the crop sold.

Farmers in this section are holding out for fifteen cents. Considerable cotton is now in the hands of commission men awaiting that price.

Spots in Columbus yesterday brought 14 5-8.

January, New York, went as high as 14.86; May, 15.28; July, 15.28.

To Close Thanksgiving.

A number of merchants of the city have signed a petition circulated by Secretary Webster of the Business League to close their places of business Thanksgiving day.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. J. C. Hackleman Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to attend, as the comfort bags for the battleship Mississippi will be given out to be filled.

Lost.

An umbrella with initials T. W. L. in old English letters. Reward paid if returned to me. T. W. Lewis.

Columbus Theatre Tuesday, Nov. 23

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